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Inspection Report

Minerals Regulatory Program

Report Date November 15, 2006

Supervisor ADZ

Mine Name: Homer and Barts

Operator Name: Ralph Simpson

Permit number: M0470078

Inspection Date: November 1, 2006

Time: 10:20-10:30 AM

Inspector(s): Paul Baker

Other Participants: None

Mine Status: Inactive

Weather: Clear, 30's

Elements of Inspection	Evaluated	Comment	Enforcement
1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Deleterious Material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Concurrent Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls, shafts, drill holes)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Water Impoundments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Soils	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Revegetation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Air Quality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Purpose of Inspection:

During the last inspection, there were several pallets of rock that needed to be cleaned up. I wanted to see if this work had been completed.

Inspection Summary:

1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds

The Division is holding a reclamation surety in the amount of \$5000.00 in the form of a certificate of deposit.

The Division has not received permit fees for 2006-2007, but it does not appear any mining has occurred recently.

On May 3, 2006, the Division received a copy of a letter from the Trust Lands Administration dated May 3, 2005. (This date appears to be a typographical error—it should be 2006). The letter states that the permit with the Trust Lands Administration has been cancelled effective January 1, 2006, and that it may not be reinstated.

12. Other

As far as I could tell, all the pallets have been removed. The operator was instructed to scatter the palletized rocks over the area, but I cannot confirm whether this was done or if the rocks were hauled away.

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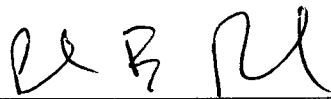
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The operator created very little disturbance. It was not necessary to salvage or respread soil or to seed.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

I suggest that the operator request release of the reclamation surety. The Division would be in a position to release the surety if the operator requested it and if Trust Lands agreed to the release. The operator does not have approval to mine because of non-payment of the permit fee, and he does not have right of entry.

Inspector's Signature  Date: 11/16/06

PBB:pb

cc: Ralph Simpson, Operator
John Blake, SITLA

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